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FROZEN HERRING COMING.

Recent Advices Say That Some Vessels Are on the Way

Frost of Last Saturday Said To Have Been a Good One.

Recent advices from Bay of Islands, N. F., tend to show that the frost of last Friday night and Saturday there was a good one and that some of the crafts put down some herring. While details and definite information are lacking, still it is believed that at least one full load of frozen herring and two crafts with partly salt and partly frozen herring are now on the way home.

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Today's Arrivals and Receipts.

Sch. William Walker, Provincetown, cured fish.  
Sch. Walter P. Goulart, shore.  
Sch. Ether Gray, shore.

Today's Fish Market.

Market price large western cod to split, \$2.25 per cwt., medium do., \$1.50.  
Large eastern cod, \$2.25. medium do., \$1.50.  
Fresh round pollock, 70c per cwt.  
Salt bank dory handline cod, \$4.50 per cwt. for large, \$3.50 for mediums and \$2.75 for snappers.  
Fresh hake, \$1.10 per cwt.  
Bank halibut, 14 cts. per lb. for white and 10 cts. for gray.  
Salt herring, in bulk, \$3.50 per bbl.  
Frozen herring, (cargo lots,) \$3.25 per cwt.

Boston.

Sch. Mattie Brundage, 3400 haddock, 1000 cod, 4000 hake, 4000 cusk.  
Sch. Reliance, 5500 pollock.  
Sch. Annie and Jennie, 6900 pollock.  
Sch. Esther Gray, 7000 cod.  
Sch. Margaret S. McKenzie, 2500 cod.  
Sch. Actor, 5000 cod.  
Sch. Carrie F. Roberts, 2500 haddock.  
Sch. Olivia Sears, 3000 pollock.  
Haddock, \$5.50 per cwt.; large cod, \$8; market cod, \$5; pollock, \$3.15.

Fishing Fleet Movements.

Sloop Columbia, Capt. Harry Handoff, has returned to Kittery to haul up for the winter.

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FISHERMEN'S BOUNTIES.

Maritime Provinces Men Received \$159,015 This Year.

A Halifax, N. S., dispatch says: "The deep sea fishermen of the Maritime Provinces received \$159,015 as bounties for their catches of fish during the past year. More than three-fifths of this amount was paid to boat fishermen, of whom there were \$20,871 in the Provinces during the season. The owners of the 957 fishing vessels which went out after the fish during the year received as their share of the bounties \$62,208, about two-fifths of the total amount.

"Nova Scotia's fishermen received nearly double the amount of the bounty paid to those in the other three provinces, who received almost \$100,000. The bounties distributed in the other provinces were as follows: Quebec, \$34,110; New Brunswick, \$16,247, and Prince Edward Island, \$8839.

"Almost \$1,000,000 had been distributed among the fishermen of the four provinces since the inception of the practice of paying bounties for the fish caught, which went into effect in 1882. These figures are taken from the annual report of the Fisheries Commission which also shows that the total catch of fisheries in Canadian waters, including fish products, seals, etc., during the season, is valued at \$26,250,000, the second largest aggregate on record."

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Salt Mackerel Imports.

The imports of salt mackerel at Boston to date are 20,530 barrels against 34,102 barrels at this time last year.

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OTHERS NEARLY LOADED.

With Frozen Herring Fares at Bay of Islands, N. F.

Frost Last Saturday Night Helped Fleet Quite a Lot.

A letter to the Times from one of the skippers at Bay of Islands, N. F., dated December 23, states that on Friday and Saturday, about two feet of snow fell and on Saturday evening the thermometer stood at 14 degrees above zero, fine weather for freezing herring. Cpts. Ross and Peebles came to Birchy Cove, from the Middle Arm just before dark on Saturday and reported herring fairly plentiful. There is also quite a lot of herring in the Humber but as there are no vessels in that locality, there are few nets down and no sales there.

On Saturday night the frost was a fine one and all the herring on the scaffolds were put below hatches by 11 o'clock, and enough herring were taken on board to again fill the scaffolds. The following vessels are reported nearly loaded: Schs. Clintonia, Ingomar, Lena and Maud, J. J. Flaherty and the British sch. Eva June, which is under charter to Capt. Frank H. Hall.

It is stated that schs. Essex and Alice R. Lawson with salt cargoes sailed Sunday, after having started once and having put back on account of bad weather a few days before.

On Sunday night the weather again turned mild, on Monday the snow was shining brightly. The indications however are that by Monday night there will be another change.

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FINDS BLACK PEARL IN CLAM.

The Jewel Is Of Considerable Value.

Robert Murray, a newspaper compositor of New York, recently gave a clam feast to his friends and when the festivities were well underway his jaws closed on a substance he was positive was not clam. Upon examination it proved to be a black pearl, which jewel experts pronounce of considerable value. This discovery has led dealers in shocked clams to carefully look over their stock ere they dispose of it to see if they are not more of these black pearls.

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HAVING HARD WEATHER.

Haddockers at Halifax Report Gale and Loss of Trawls.

Evidently the haddockers on the Cape Shore are having some pretty hard weather. Three of them, schs. Morning Star, Onato and Conqueror, were at Halifax yesterday, and report a very severe gale last Tuesday and that considerable gear was lost. All three of these crafts lost a lot of trawls, sch. Morning Star losing the most.

Another despatch said that the vessels had their head gear slightly damaged, also that sch. Morning Star was left without a single hook. Sch. Conqueror had 4000 pounds of fish and the rest none.

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Bank halibut, 14 cts. per lb. for white and 10 cts. for gray.  
Salt herring, in bulk, \$3.50 per bbl.  
Frozen herring, (cargo lots,) \$3.25 per cwt.

Boston.

Sch. Little Fannie, 500 cod, 11,000 pollock.  
Sch. Pontiac, 11,000 haddock, 2500 cod, 10,000 hake, 1500 cusk.  
Large cod, \$4.50 per cwt.; market cod, \$2; pollock, \$3.

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LOST LOTS OF TRAWL.

Many Haddockers Hard Hit Tuesday Off Liscomb, N. S.

Some Were Left Without a Hook with Which To Fish.

Capt. Horace Wilde, of the staunch haddocking sch. John Hays Hammond of this port, which arrived home here Saturday night from off Liscomb, N. S., confirms the exclusive news in the Times of Saturday in regard to the bad weather and loss of a very large amount of trawls by the haddock fleet of this port and Boston, fishing off that port.

Capt. Wilde says that he struck fair weather when he first got down there and picked up quite a lot of fish. Then came the rough day, on which he had one of his dories overturned and one of his crew, Peter Ryan, was drowned, and the body sent home for burial, as previously reported in the Times. After that the weather came bad and chances to set were scarce.

On last Tuesday, however, off Liscomb, it looked as though there might be a chance to do something. Some of the vessels set four tubs to a dory, while others stuck out their whole strings. The weather changed quickly it began to blow from the southwest, and with it came a hard, short sea, so that most of the crafts were lucky to get back all their dories, to say nothing of their strings of trawls.

The Hammond had out 60 tubs, six tubs to a dory, and it seemed as good as gone, as indeed it was practically for all they were able to get back were six buoys and about 14 tubs of gear. Other crafts, however, fared worse than the Hammond. The Boston haddocking sch. Morning Star, which had all her gear out, never got a hook back. The sch. Onato, also of Boston, lost 60 tubs, as did sch. Conqueror of this port. These three vessels went to Halifax to rig new gear.

The new sch. Richard lost whatever gear she set, but the men of the Hammond did not know just how much she had out. Sch. Slade Gorton of this port, was among the unfortunate ones, being credited with losing 30 or 35 tubs which however left her enough to stay on the ground and continue fishing. Sch. Cynthia was also there but they did not think she lost many trawls.

Some of the fleet were up to the eastward, among them sch. Lucania, and the Hammond's men think that these vessels did not set. Sch. Mildred Robinson was there also but it was thought that she had no gear out.

In all, the fleet fishing off Liscomb and Isaac's Harbor numbered 13 sail, and all of them were very poorly fished when the Hammond left for home, having done practically nothing.

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HERRING NEWS.

Western Star Tells of Latest Operations of the Fleet.

Frost and Mild Weather Alternate and Bother Loading.

Regarding the herring situation at Bay of Islands, N. F., the Western Star of Wednesday gives the following information:

"During the past week herring have been fairly plentiful in Middle Arm and the upper part of Humber Arm. Some of the nets have taken in one day as much as twenty barrels, and the average catch has been about eight barrels per day. Some of the fishermen, who took up their nets, owing to the mild spurt, had them set again on Friday. Weather conditions changed that day, and Saturday night the frost was keen enough to freeze herring. While the snow storm was on the crews had the herring on scaffolds and elsewhere put in piles, and as soon as it ceased snowing they spread out the fish thinly. By Sunday morning they were hard enough to go into the holds of the vessels, and the fishermen had a busy time of it all Sunday trying to get their herring under cover, fearing another mild spurt. One could not very well blame them, after such a trying time as they had in getting the fish frozen. Still there are lots of herring on shore from which the fishermen did not remove the snow, and they are yet unfit to be put in cargo."



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"Schs. Lena and Maud, Eva June, Arethusa and Ethel are about loaded with frozen herring and sch. Ingomar wants the fill of two scaffolds to complete her cargo. Sch. Mary W. S. finished loading on the 18th with frozen herring. She takes her cargo to the Halifax Cold Storage Co., and was the first vessel to load this year with herring cured by natural frost. Sch. Athlone, Capt. William Bennett, of Bay St. George, has part cargo of barreled herring, and will finish up on frozen for the same company. There have been no herring in North Arm since November 15, an unusual occurrence."

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#### SCH. CAVALIER HOME.

##### Was Only Slightly Damaged by Fire in Sail Room.

Sch. Cavalier, Capt. Robert B. Porper, arrived from Quero bank, yesterday with about 20,000 pounds of halibut.

As previously reported in the Times, the schooner had quite a narrow escape from being burned while on the fishing grounds, a brisk blaze starting in her sail room, which was put out after much hard work. The vessel is only slightly damaged, but the contents of the room, including considerable fishing gear were considerably damaged.

Capt. Porper and his men feel that they were fortunate to come out of it with as little damage as was done, for a fire at sea, in a vessel is an ugly thing to handle, especially in bad weather as it was at the time.

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#### DAILY TIMES FISH BUREAU.

##### Today's Arrivals and Receipts.

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Sch. John Hays Hammond, Cape Shore, 45,000 lbs. fresh fish.

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##### Boston.

Sch. Emily Cooney, 6000 haddock, 500 cod.

Sch. Mildred V. Nunan, 3500 haddock, 500 cod, 1000 hake, 2000 cusk.

Sch. Sylvia M. Nunan, 3000 haddock, 500 cod, 5000 hake.

Sloop Marion, 8000 pollock.

Sch. Thomas J. Carroll, 7000 haddock, 1200 cod, 8000 hake.

Sch. Fannie E. Prescott, 42,000 haddock, 8000 cod, 3000 hake.

Sch. Belbina P. Domingoes, 5000 haddock, 1000 cod, 2000 hake.

Sch. Mary Edith, 1200 haddock, 6000 cod.

Sch. Eva Avina, 6000 pollock.

Sch. Natalie J. Nelson, 15,000 haddock, 25,000 cod, 10,000 cusk.

Sch. Lafayette, 13,000 cod.

Sch. Fannie Belle Atwood, 32,000 haddock, 12,000 cod, 1000 hake, 8000 cusk, 1000 halibut.

Sch. Quonnapowitt, 19,000 haddock, 23,000 cod, 5000 hake.

Sch. Flora S. Nickerson, 23,000 haddock, 30,000 cod, 2000 hake, 3000 cusk.

Sch. Terra Nova, 25,000 haddock, 10,000 cod, 5000 hake, 18,000 cusk.

Sch. Oliver F. Hutchins, 7500 haddock, 500 cod, 5000 hake.

Sch. Richard J. Nunan, 4500 haddock, 500 cod, 12,000 hake.

Sch. Flavilla, 5000 haddock, 1500 cod, 1000 hake.

Steamer Spray, 45,000 haddock, 1000 cod, 1000 hake.

Sch. Manomet, 3000 haddock, 1000 cod, 5000 hake.

Sch. Lillian, 10,000 cod.

Sch. Valentinna, 7000 cod, 3000 hake.

Sch. Sadie M. Nunan, 5000 haddock, 200 cod, 5000 hake, 2500 cusk.

Sch. Genesta, 5000 haddock, 2000 cod, 8000 hake.

Haddock, \$3 to \$4 per cwt.; large cod, \$4.50; market cod, \$3; hake, \$1.50 to \$5; cusk, \$1.50 to \$1.75; pollock, \$3.25.

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## SIX VESSELS 39 MEN LOST.

### Record of Gloucester Fisheries During the Year.

#### MONETARY LOSS WAS LARGE.

#### Number of Men Somewhat Larger Than Previous Years.

In accordance with our usual custom, we publish herewith the summary of losses of property and lives in the fisheries from this port during the year just closing, also the losses which have been reported from other ports, giving as far as they could be obtained the names of the men lost, together with their ages and place of birth and other matters of interest connected with their deaths. As has been the usual custom, the list includes the men lost from their vessels or in dories, those killed by accident on board vessels, those who have died on board or after having been removed to hospitals, men hailing from here but fishing in vessels from other ports, and those who have been drowned in attempting to board their vessels while in port.

While for the fourth consecutive year we have to record the loss of no vessel with her entire crew, the loss of life is somewhat in excess of the previous year, the loss of ten men who went astray from sch. Clara G. Silva and were drowned by the swamping of their dories materially swelling the aggregate. The number of vessels lost is however largely below the average even of recent years and is the smallest number for nearly 40 years or since 1868.

The total number of vessels lost during the year was six, of a total tonnage of 636.55 tons gross, and 431.53 tons net, the valuation of the lost craft being \$74,300, having an insurance of \$53,891. The list includes some of the largest and finest of the fleet. Two of the vessels lost were engaged in the Newfoundland herring fishery, two in the Banks salt cod fishery, one in the swordfishery and one in the shore fishery.

The number of men drowned during the year was 39, leaving 16 widows and 34 children, eight being drowned by being washed or falling overboard, 13 by the capsizing or swamping of their dories, four by getting astray from their vessel in a fog or storm, one by the dory being run down by the vessel, three were killed by accident on shipboard, four died on board vessels or in hospitals and five were drowned in docks while attempting to board their vessels.

The number of vessels lost last year was even, with a total tonnage of 60,408 tons gross and 43,050 tons net, being valued at \$59,800 and having an insurance of \$45,320. The number of men lost was 32, leaving eight widows and 20 children.

The losses of vessels and lives during the year now closing have been as follows:

#### Vessels Lost.

Sch. Richard Wainwright, 133.54 tons gross, 98.64 tons net, built in this city in 1900, went ashore at Flat Bay, Bay St. George, N. F., January 12, while after a cargo of frozen herring. Crew saved. Owned by Orlando Merchant and valued at \$15,000, and insured by the Gloucester Mutual Fishing Insurance Company for \$6235 on the vessel and \$4000 on the outfit and cargo and \$1500 on the cargo by the Boston Insurance Company.

Auxiliary sch. Vigilant, 92.60 tons gross, 66.98 tons net, built in this city in 1893, went adrift by ice at Bay of Islands, January 9, and went ashore on Wood Island and caught fire and was totally destroyed. Crew saved. Owned by the Gorton-Pew Fisheries Company and valued at \$17,000, and insured by the Gloucester Mutual Fishing Insurance Company for \$3745 on the vessel and \$2500 on the outfit and by the Boston Insurance Company for \$5000 on the vessel and \$1000 on the outfit, and \$1000 on the vessel by the Meinheim Insurance Company.

Sch. Ellen F. Gleason, 72.48 tons gross, 12.81 tons net, built in Essex in 1898, run down on Middle Bank, February 5, by steamer Winifredian. Crew saved. Owned by John Gleason and valued at \$8300 and insured by the Boston Insurance Company for \$5000 on the vessel and outfit.

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Sch. Helen F. Whittin, 134.19 tons gross, 92.34 tons net, built at Boothbay, Me., in 1890, went ashore in the Straits of Belle Isle, August 4, while on a Banks salt cod-fishing trip. Crew saved. Owned by the Gorton-Pew Fisheries Company and valued at \$12,000 and insured by the Gloucester Mutual Fishing Insurance Company for \$4442 on the vessel and \$3000 on the outfit, and \$1500 on the vessel by the Boston Insurance Company.

Sch. James S. Steele, 78.46 tons gross, 50.75 tons net, built at Essex in 1892, wrecked on Middle Bank Shoal, Vineyard Sound, while on a swordfishing trip September 2. Crew saved. Owned by H. & J. S. Steele and valued at \$4500, the outfit being valued at \$1500, and insured by the Gloucester Mutual Fishing Insurance Company for \$2907 on the vessel and \$1200 on the outfit.

Sch. Sceptre, 125.28 tons gross, 90.06 tons net, built in Essex in 1901, went ashore at Scatterie, C. B., October 21, while on a salt cod-fishing trip. Crew saved. Owned by the Gorton-Pew Fisheries Co., and valued at \$12,000 and outfit at \$4000 and insured by the Gloucester Mutual Fishing Insurance Company for \$6682 on the vessel and \$3000 on the outfit and by the Boston Insurance Company for \$1200 on the vessel.

#### Losses of Lives.

Michael Healty, 24 years old, native of Newfoundland, single, one of the crew of sch. Fame, drowned off the Cape Shore December 30, 1906, by his dory being run down by the vessel. His dorymate, James Diggins, was saved.

Henry Kelligrew, 45 years old, native of Newfoundland, single, knocked from the bowsprit of sch. Richard Wainwright January 9, 1907, off Cape George, N. F.

Neil McPhee, 45 years old, native of Prince Edward Island, single, washed overboard from sch. Olga on Western Bank January 12.

Jesse Harding, 45 years old, native of Shelburne, N. S., single, washed overboard from sch. J. J. Flaherty off St. Paul's Island, January 16.

Axel Gradie, 41 years old, native of Sweden, jumped overboard from sch. Paragon on Quero Bank January 18, while deranged, left widow and two children.

Jacob Sheave, 36 years old, native of Channel, N. F., went astray from sch. Margaret Dillon January 22 in a snow storm off Minot's light, left widow and three children.

Raymond Porter, 29 years old, native of Eel Brook, N. S., single, washed overboard from sch. Dictator on Georges February 18.

Edgerton McLaren, 34 years old, native of Argyle, N. S., and Daniel McLean, 28 years old, native of Prince Edward Island, both single, two of the crew of sch. Precaptor, drowned on Sable Island bank by the swamping of their dory March 6.

Capt. Walter Whitley, 54 years old, native of Port Hood, C. B., died of heart disease in a dory on Georges while taking the place of one of the crew of sch. Selma, March 28, left widow and two children.

John E. Anderson, 32 years old, native of Oland, Sweden, single, fell overboard from sch. Niagara off Eastern Point April 8.

Eldredge Smith, 60 years old, native of Nova Scotia, single, one of the crew of sch. Albert Geiger, found drowned in the harbor April 24, having been missing since December 17.

Frank Boudrot, 50 years old, native of Newfoundland, died from appendicitis on board sch. Henry M. Stanley, Bacalieu bank May 13, left widow.

Frank Hitt, 24 years old, native of New Bedford, single, killed by being struck by balloon sheet on board sch. James S. Steele on Georges June 24.

John J. Sutherland, 49 years old, native of Nova Scotia, one of the crew of sch. Priscilla Smith, died of heart disease on Georges July 15, left widow and one child.

Andrew Beckman, 34 years old, native of Shelburne, N. S., died on board sch. Cecil H. Low, on the banks August 26.

Charles Hines, 35 years old, native of Pubnico, N. S., single, one of the crew of the